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deemed pertinent for the reasons given there. The Examiner is respectfully directed to the files of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for review of those documents. (See 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d) and MPEP § 609.) Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that the listed information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portions of the enclosed PTO-1449 form and returning a copy of same to Applicants' attorneys of record.

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